

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. K-470

Magi No. 1504705635

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Mount Pleasant

and/or common Hubbard Farm

## 2. Location

street & number Southeast side Langford Road, Broad Neck Road (NO 446) 7/16/94  
1-1/4 mile SW of Route 20 not for publicationcity, town Chestertown ☒ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Kent

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

## 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Wilbur Ross Hubbard

street &amp; number Wide Hall, Water Street telephone no.: 301-778-2121

city, town Chestertown state and zip code Maryland 21620

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Kent County Court House liber WHG 5

street &amp; number folio 59

city, town Chestertown state Maryland

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

## 7. Description

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### Condition

☐ excellent  
☐ good  
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated  
☐ ruins  
☐ unexposed

### Check one

☐ unaltered  
☐ altered

### Check one

☐ original site  
☐ moved      date of move \_\_\_\_\_

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The main house on Mt. Pleasant Farm is a 2½ story, 5 bay house with a central hall and front gable. At the rear is a rear ell with an end section which is lower and simpler and was probably intended for farm help. Interesting features of the house are a one-story, 3-sided bay window on the north gable of the main house and a 2-story porch on the south side of the wing.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

### Specific dates

### Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Like many houses of the late nineteenth century in the Upper Eastern Shore countryside, this house has a center gable and a hall plan. Mount Pleasant is an exceptionally graceful building of its type. The rooms are particularly well-proportioned with high ceilings and well-scaled detailing. The main stair is quite handsome and the two-story porch charming and useful during hot summer weather.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle scale \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

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## 11. Form Prepared By

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date 5/29/81

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The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
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## CONTINUATION SHEET

## 7.1 DESCRIPTION (continued)

Building Form and Material

1. Size - Main Section: 2½ stories, 5 bays wide, 2 bays deep  
     Wing A: 2½ stories, 2 bays wide, 3 bays long  
     Wing B: true 1½ stories, 2 bays wide, 3 bays long
2. Plan type - Central hall, one-room deep, central gable, rear ell made up of two sections
3. Roof type - Main Section: gable with side dormers
4. Chimneys - Location: Enclosed in gables and against center portion and rear ell.  
     Materials: Brick  
     Decorative elements: 6-step in and out corbelled cap, stone top
5. Material/Walls - Main Section: Frame - Medium-width weatherboard. Paneled pilasters at the corners.  
     Wings: Same
6. Material/Roofs - Asphalt shingle
7. Material/Foundation - Brick, a fairly tall foundation.
8. Age - Main Section: Ca. 1880  
     Wings: Contemporary. According to tradition the rear of the ell predates the main house. There is no visible physical evidence to support this claim.
9. Style - Vernacular Victorian

Building Elements and Details

1. Doors - Main Entry: Located in the center of main facade and has double entry doors with rounded-headed upper panels on doors. There is a 4-light transom and 3-light side lights with glass etched with a geometric pattern. There are a pair of screen doors leading to the front porch; they have interesting hinges.  
     Secondary Entries: Located in the north side of ell leading into the central room, via the porches (now a kitchen) on the south of this wing, into the rear room of the rear ell.
2. Windows - Main Section: type - double hung  
     lights - 2/2  
     details - Narrow frames with small inside bead, plain sills.  
     shutters - wooden louvered

## CONTINUATION SHEET

## 7.2 DESCRIPTION (continued)

Wings: type - same as main section

In wing B are 6/6 sash on the first floor with 3/3 sash on the second. The trim is plain, about 2½" wide. Shutters are board & batten in wing B.

3. Dormers - The dormers in the main section have short 2/2 sash windows with upper segmental arch. The eaves overhang widely. There is a bracket-shaped lower pilaster and a triangular wooden decoration applied to the tympanum.

4. Roof details - Main Section and Wing A: Enclosed cornice with a wide overhang. No return but a composite crown-mold and a wide fascia at the top of the wall.

Wing B: Simple enclosed box.

5. Porches - The front porch has a shallow pediment in the front, square columns, and scroll-type brackets. It is enclosed with screening. On the south side of the ell is a bay, two-story porch with chamfered square columns and flat, sawn balusters. The first story has recently been converted into a kitchen.

6. Color - Current: White/Black shutters and roof  
Historic: ?

7. Other: Another porch, a low shed-roofed structure with a herring-bone brick floor wraps around the south wall and gable of the rear section of the ell.

### Interior Description

1. Plan type - Central hall. An unusual feature is the location of the secondary stair adjacent to the rear wall of the main house. It is an enclosed, straight-run stair.

2. Main Stair - Walnut handrail and heavy turned newel; oak, turned balusters. The stair a dog-leg, has not been painted.

Other Stairs - There is a ladder stair (enclosed) in the north-east corner of the rear room.

3. Major mantles - four types: marbelized slate in the north parlour, simple wooden mantles with applied wooden panels in the major bedrooms upstairs; a Greek mantle in the central room, first floor; a mantle with a mirror in the south parlour that appears later.

4. Major trim - Windows/doors: In simpler rooms, narrower trim with an inside bead. In major rooms a composite backband and inside bead.  
Baseboards: 6" with Greek ogee and bevel on a plain board.

## CONTINUATION SHEET

## 7.3 DESCRIPTION (continued)

5. Major doors - 4 panel
6. Floors - Medium-width random pine
7. Walls/ceiling finishes - plaster with wall paper

Outbuildings/Site Description

1. Major Outbuildings - No old farm buildings.  
House - Gambrel roofed - frame. A one-room, two story section of this house may once have been attached to the main house at the rear of the ell. On the second story is wide pine flooring, but all other visible elements date from the early 20th century.
2. Site Description - Set back from the road the house is surrounded by a yard once enclosed by a pickett fence. Within the fenced area are ornamental trees and shrubs - box wood, holly trees, an outstanding willow oak. To the northeast of the house is a small gambrel-roofed house, the two forming a kind of a side court. Farm buildings are to the rear; once lovely, the yards are poorly maintained.
3. Views to/from site - The building is essentially surrounded by farm lands and woodlands and these features dominate the views. The house is barely visible from the road.

Use of the Building

1. Current - Residence
2. Historic - Residence







View to Southeast

MOUNT PLEASANT (K-470)

Chestertown, Kent County

Photograph: M. L. Fritz, May 1981